

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. Sinclair Broadcasting should be required to show an equal time pro-Kerry documentary. They are according to your own rules, required to give equal time to candidates.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Personally this is more offensive to me then anything shown by Janet Jackson, or Howard Stern. When I watch them, I know what to expect, When I watch a news program, I expect news and not propaganda. I believe the offensiveness of this action requires even stiffer and more harsh penalties, than those imposed on Howard Stern, or Janet Jackson, As this company is using it's stations to promote the candidacy of one candidate over another, with lies and propaganda. If it is not stopped they should be prevented from sending any signal over any airways in America.

If the Sinclair broadcasting is so determined to propagate lies and inuendo, perhaps they would prefer to do business in China or Russia, where propaganda is/was the only choice.

Thank you.